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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND LOAN Web re-posting date: 05/20/08

The Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) in Sections NAC 445A.6758 to 445A.67612, inclusive, outlines the environmental review procedures to be followed by the Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) to meet the requirements of the National Environmental Protection Act. In accordance with these procedures, NDEP has determined that the project described below is eligible for Categorical Exclusion and may be exempted from further substantive environmental review requirements.

Project Name: Drinking Water System Capital Improvement Project

Project No.: No. 54 2008 Priority List

Applicant: Gold Country Water Company

Estimated Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Assistance: \$376,000

Gold Country Water Company is located five miles south of Winnemucca and serves the Gold Country Estates, portions of Thomas Canyon Acres, Grass Valley Elementary School, the LDS Church and the Baptist Church. The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan project proposed by the Gold Country Water Company includes the installation of approximately 380 water meters and related equipment necessary to read the meters. The proposed project also includes minor improvements to the distribution system including replacing the well pump and motor, replacing broken valves, replacing approximately 60 service line connections and refinancing existing debt of \$126,000.

The project is eligible for a categorical exclusion because it entails the rehabilitation of an existing facility and is unlikely to have a negative effect on the quality of the environment. Meter boxes are already in place therefore installation of meters does not require any new land disturbance. All of the other construction is minor and will take place on already disturbed land. The project will have a beneficial effect by ensuring the customers receive an adequate supply of water, and that conservation is encouraged through the implementation of a metered water rate. Consultation with the State Historic Preservation Office has been initiated. Compliance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act will occur before construction begins.

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Documentation to support these conclusions is available for public examination at the office of the Division of Environmental Protection, 901 S. Stewart St., Suite 4001, Carson City, Nevada.

Comments for consideration on this proposed decision must be submitted by June 23, 2008 to:

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Comments may be submitted by FAX to (775) 687-9510 or by e-mail to abasham@ndep.nv.gov. Questions regarding this notice may be directed to Adele Basham at (775) 687-9488.

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